Appl. No. 10/580,381

Amdt. Dated November 17, 2009

Reply to Office Action of September 22, 2009

Attorney Docket No. 81707.0200

Customer No.: 26021

REMARKS:

Claims 1-8 are canceled without prejudice. Claim 9 is amended. New claims

13-16 are added. Claims 9-16 are pending in the application. Examination and

consideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 22, 2009,

Applicant elects for prosecution the claims of Group III, claims 9-12, drawn to a

laminated structure comprising the piezoelectric ceramic and internal electrodes.

This election is without traverse.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition

for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los

Angeles, California telephone number (310)785-4600 to discuss the steps necessary

for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please

charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,

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